

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: SOPN MARR IN US  
SUBJECT: ALLEGED PRESIDENTIAL DIRECTIVE FOR US INTERVENTION IN  
GULF AREA

1. "TIMES OF INDIA" WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT M.V. KAMATAH  
REPORTS IN THE SEPTEMBER 11 EDITION THAT PRESIDENT CARTER  
ISSUED A SECRET DIRECTIVE ORDERING US PREPARATIONS TO  
DEFEND MIDDLE EAST OIL SUPPLIES AGAINST A POSSIBLE SOVIET  
THREAT. THE ALLEGED PRESIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM, REPORTEDLY  
SIGNED ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO, INVOLVED THE USE OF GROUND,  
NAVAL AND AIR UNITS. KAMATH ARGUES THAT "IF THE PRESENT  
PRESIDENTIAL ORDER STANDS, IT WILL MAKE A MOCKERY OF  
PLANS TO DEMILITARIZE THE INDIAN OCEAN. . ."

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT CAN  
SUPPLY ON THIS STORY TO BE USED IN THE EVENT THAT  
WE ARE QUERIED BY THE GOI OR THE PRESS HERE.  
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## Message Attributes

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